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## Faculty Senate

Faculty Senate Executive Committee (FSEC) Meeting  
09 January 2026  
1:00pm, 135J Thomas Boyd Hall

### Minutes of the Meeting

#### Attendance

**Present:** Daniel Tirone (President), Inessa Bazayev (Past-President), Parampreet Singh (Vice-President), Michelle Osborn (Secretary), Kyla Kazuschyk (Member-at-Large), Ken Lopata (Member-at-Large), Kristen Healy (Member-at-Large)

A regular meeting of the Faculty Senate Executive Committee convened at 1:01 pm on January 09, 2025, in room 135J of Thomas Boyd Hall at the LSU campus, with the President being the Chair and the Secretary being present. There were no public comments. Minutes of the previous meeting were adopted as amended.

#### President's Updates

1. Tirone announced that a new FS coordinator has been hired. She will start on Monday, the first day of classes, and will be present at the first FS meeting of the semester.
2. Tirone and Singh discussed the grade submission process for degree and non-degree candidates with OAA. They will update as more information becomes available.
3. Tirone, Singh, and Bazayev took part in a Policy Retreat with OAA, HRM, and the General Counsel to discuss PS-104.
4. Tirone met with the General Counsel to discuss what faculty governance may look like within the reorganized university system. He also discussed the role of the graduate school and graduate council in graduate faculty decisions.
5. Tirone had a meeting with Accounts Payable & Travel and OAA regarding a faculty concern about the new process for spend authorization and travel abroad. OAA has asked to give a presentation at the first FS meeting to update faculty about the process and demonstrate the changes.
6. Tirone reported that Student Success would like to give a presentation at the first FS meeting on the new Course Experience Surveys, the alternative to current teaching evaluations being implemented this semester.
7. Tirone reminded FSEC of the Student Engagement in Large Classes forums planned for this semester.
8. Staff Senate has reached out about collaborating to have a welcome back coffee break in the next month or two. FSEC is interested and has asked for more details.
9. Tirone was contacted by the Library about advertising the survey sent out in December. He will put it in his President's Report.
10. The Phased Retirement Task Force has had its final meeting and will prepare a report.
11. The CPHE will be releasing a draft of their evidentiary standards for accreditation soon.

#### Unfinished Business

1. The first item of unfinished business was **Committee Appointments and Elections**. Policy Committee. Singh made a motion to appoint Jon Snow as a member of the Policy Committee. The motion was unanimously approved. Tirone reported that the updated PS-45 now stipulates that the university C&C committee includes a member of OIE on the committee as ex-officio. The operating procedures and website will need to be updated to reflect this addition.

Osborn moved to suspend agenda and take up ASH proposals. The motion was approved.

### **New Business**

1. The first item of new business was **ASH Proposals**. There were three proposals to discuss. The Graduate School proposal for changing the I grade policy for online students will be added to the agenda for January Faculty Senate Meeting. The Graduate School proposal for Eligibility of Faculty and Staff for Graduate Degrees was considered next. Singh made a motion to refer back to committee for clarification. The motion was approved. The last proposal discussed was from the School of Education regarding Direct Admittance. After some discussion, Singh moved to postpone further discussion until the next FSEC meeting. The motion was unanimously approved.

FSEC then returned to the Unfinished Business on the Agenda.

2. The next item of unfinished business was **Agenda for January FS Meeting**. Singh made a motion to approve the agenda as discussed. The motion was unanimously approved.

Healy made a motion to adjourn at 2:39 pm. The motion was unanimously approved.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Michelle Osborn, Secretary